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Tax on Brice Legacy.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The late Senator Brice is the only man of very large means who has died since the war revenue law went into effect. This law imposes a heavy tax on legacies, and provides that whoever inherits between \$10,000 and \$25,000 shall pay at the rate of 75 cents for every \$100 inherited; and when the property exceeds \$500,000 and does not equal \$1,000,000 that rate is multiplied by 2½ and becomes \$1.87 per \$100. There is a proviso, however, that all legacies or property passing by will or by the laws of any state or territory to husband or wife of the person died possessed as aforesaid shall be exempt from tax or duty.

Senator Brice left no will. His widow has qualified as administratrix of the estate, and has filed a schedule of personal property left by him valued at \$600,000. Besides the widow there are five children, and besides the personal property in New York it is believed that the estate is worth several millions of property situated in Ohio, Indiana and elsewhere. The Brice case has not been before the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, but there are several similar cases of importance under consideration. Under the law that portion of the estate that passes to Mrs. Brice as widow's dower will be exempt from taxation, but the inheritance of other heirs—that is, the personal property distributed among them—will be subject to tax. If this personal property of the children—which includes the income from real estate—should equal \$600,000 for each heir, the tax would be \$11,250. The rate upon inheritances of personal property exceeding \$1,000,000 in value is \$2.25 upon every \$100. The law requires that the administrator shall present a schedule to the Collector of Internal Revenue, setting forth all the property which the deceased possessed, with a list of every person entitled to any beneficial interest therein.

Under the laws of New York Mrs. Brice will also be compelled to pay a state tax of 1 per cent, with 5 per cent off for cash.—Chicago Record Correspondence.

Petroleum for Road Making.

To the Editor of the Derrick: I read with much interest the experiments of Major Meigs of Keokuk, Ia., in your issue of December 20, 1898, relating to the employment of crude oil for good roads. About the month of November, 1897, I contributed an article to your paper entitled "Crude Oil for the Roads." It was widely quoted throughout the United States, and I am the recipient of several interesting letters requesting full details of my observations, the most conspicuous being the letter from G. L. Wilkinson, acting examiner, Div. 4, U. S. patent office, Washington, D. C., for official use. My observations of the effect of crude oil on the road cover a period of three years. At the end of that time the preserving qualities of crude oil were plainly noticeable. No mud in wet, or dust in dry weather being on the oil treated bit of road, notwithstanding the road had not been prepared for treatment and the oil being the result of an accident, and that in the most unfavorable time of the year, mid-winter. However, the effect was phenomenal. I am persuaded by the results of my observations in which I have been intensely interested that a road properly prepared and treated with crude oil, will be a "thing of beauty," if not a joy forever—then for three years. Accepting the Major's suggestion of one barrel of crude oil to each 100 feet of road 12 feet wide at a cost of \$75 per mile and three yards of good roads would be the result for the small expenditure of \$25 per mile for the year. I feel assured that we are entering upon an era of good roads, and that crude oil is destined to be the active agent.—Cor. Oil City Derrick.

A Profitable Industry.

An enterprising Marylander, whose farm is mostly swamp land, along the Potomac, is rapidly acquiring a fortune in raising bull frogs for the market. He ships them in crates containing a dozen each and plenty of seaweed to hotels and restaurants in New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia and other cities of the east. It is a profitable business. No farmer in that section of the state makes half so much money with double the labor. With the assistance of two or three colored men he can raise and sell several thousand bull frogs every month at the rate of a \$1 a dozen and the raw material costs practically nothing. He lately received an order from Berlin for 800 fat young frogs; to be shipped alive by steamer from Baltimore, and was unable to fill it, because of the domestic demand being so great. The success of this Maryland farmer ought to arouse a host of imitators in all parts of the country. It ought not to be any trouble to raise bull frogs anywhere, for swamp land is by no means a scarce article in the eastern states.

WIVES OF MORMON

Roberts, and the Views of One of Them on Mormon Happiness.

I went over to see Dr. Shipp-Roberts, Mr. Roberts's favorite wife. She lives in a neat little cottage in a broad, quiet street. There is a sign out at the door which announces to the passer-by that Dr. Roberts has an office within.

Mrs. Roberts met us at the door, and asked us in to a pretty little parlor. She is a handsome woman, with brilliant black eyes, a high color, a keen black hair and a brilliant smile that lights up a somewhat masculine type of face, which shows traces of sorrow and anxiety.

"Mrs. Roberts used to be a great suffragist," said my friends, "but since she married Brother Roberts she has had a change of heart."

Mrs. Roberts flushed a little as she said: "No; that is not true. I am suffragist enough now, but I do think that it is all a mistake, this trying to push women forward into the industrial fields of life. I believe in home, and I think the only place for a woman is her home."

"The only thing which makes a woman's life worth living is love, the love of some one man, in whom she believes and trusts, and the love of children. I have had seven children, and thought before I married Brother Roberts that I had a great deal of trouble and care."

"I would not have given, even in my hours of terrific struggles and discouragement one half of my very smallest child's head for all the business success or social triumph in the world."

"A good husband, healthy children and a revealed religion—these are the three things that help a woman to stand being alive. A gentle lady told me just the other day that she wondered what it was made the Mormon women look so peaceful and contented."

"The idea! How could she help knowing that it was our religion, the perfect faith and trust we have that everything is for the best that gives us peace which the world cannot know? How could we stand the agonies of life without it?"

"Take this polygamy that there is so much talk about now. Gentle women are always trying to find out how we live through it as we do. Why, its our religion; that's all there is about it. If it were not, we could never stand it in the world. We know that polygamy is right, and that it is the will of God that we should live as we do. And we submit in patience and humility."

"Plural marriage is dying out. The church has declared itself against it, and that settles the whole affair. The women of the next generation will not have to bear the burden of a polygamous life, and it is a burden. I don't care what you say or how you argue about it, nor how much you try to convince yourself that you are happy in the idea that your husband has more wives than one; it is a burden and a grievous one. Women who are more degenerate will tell you that it is not. They will insist that they are happy in polygamy. Well, perhaps they are. So are we all. But it is our religion that makes us happy in it, not plural marriage itself."

"Plural marriage does bring perfection of character, but it does not bring happiness. Don't go by what I say though. Most women will tell you exactly the opposite, but I must bear testimony truthfully."

Mrs. Roberts spoke of her husband's persecution, as she called it. Then she added: "It is a means of grace. He is but an instrument in the hands of a higher power. It will all come right in the end. The cause of justice will triumph and the people who have been persecuting him will bow their heads in humiliation. I have read somewhere about the singing martyrs who went to the stake with a song of triumphant victory on their lips."

When I left Mrs. Roberts standing in the door of her little home I found myself listening for the strains of some Christian hymn of defiant and stormy praise.

The other two Mrs. Robertses, who live down at Centerville, are not so well known in Salt Lake City. Mr. Roberts married them when he was a hearty young fellow working in a blacksmith's shop for his living. A woman who knows them both told me about them. They are both lovely women, she said, and devotedly fond of each other, their children and their husband. You will often see them going to church together—the two women and the whole family of children. She said that if one of them goes away on a visit she leaves her children with the other one to take care of. They are just like dear sisters, as all plural wives are. They both have comfortable, pretty homes. Mr. Roberts is also a great favorite at Centerville. My sister visited the younger Mrs. Roberts just after this trouble began. She says that both of the wives laugh at the idea of their husband being defeated or humiliated in any way.—Salt Lake Special to St. Louis Republic.

Judge Dever Appointed Receiver.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—The comptroller of the currency appointed Joseph J. Dever receiver of the Farmers' National Bank at Portsmouth, O., in place of David Armstrong, resigned.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is a grand old remedy, used for many years, and still in public favor. It is without doubt the best of all for all pulmonary affections. It is a reliable cure for all coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, and all other lung troubles. All druggists sell it for 30 cents.

Has the Keeley Motor Secret Been Found?

From recent disclosures made at Philadelphia it appears that accident is again to accomplish what persistent and earnest effort has repeatedly failed to do. Persistent and earnest effort was baffled in every attempt made to discover the secret of the Keeley motor. Accident has disclosed evidence of what may be the cause of the startling effects that brought so many dollars to the Keeley treasury. Workmen engaged in cleaning up the old laboratory in which Keeley worked on his mysterious motor, discovered an immense hollow sphere set on a foundation of stone and mortar, beneath the floor of the room where Keeley delighted to give exhibitions of his unexplained source of mechanical power. There is a secret air connection, and the skeptics declare that the wonderful cabalistic motor was nothing more nor less than a common every day compressed air machine. It is recalled now that in his exhibitions of the marvelous power possessed by his mystic motor, Keeley at every demonstration, picked up a brass wire from the floor. This is believed to be the connection that controlled the compressed air and made his "motor" motorize.

The officers of the Keeley company and other believers in the invention, are wrought over the discovery and loud in their disclaimers of the sphere being the "secret" either by weight or air of the motor. They don't know what it is, or to what use, if any, it has been put. They simply claim to know that it isn't. One director remembers that when Keeley was exhibiting a "multiplier," which enigmatical essential of the motor the discovered sphere resembles, he made a mistake in turning the power and instead of making it light as air, turned the power the wrong way and the multiplication of weight caused it to crash through the floor, where it was permitted to remain undisturbed ever since. It is an interesting explanation. The "multiplier" probably built its own foundation after through the floor, manufacturing the trowel and other necessary tools, mixing the mortar and gathering together the heavy rocks while passing through space. The directors should be cautioned against speaking so freely of the matter. There is danger of an inadvertent disclosure of the motor secret.—Times Star.

No More Booze.

Germany's inebriates, after one more year of such carefully mitigated liberty as the dear kaiser's subjects are permitted to enjoy, will enter upon a period of restraint calculated to fill them with mingled horror and indignation. With the beginning of 1900 there will go into effect a truly remarkable law—a law which places every habitual drunkard under an interdiction involving complete submission to the will of a duly appointed "curator." This person will be empowered to put the person whom he regards as a dipsomaniac anywhere he pleases, there to undergo treatment for the malady as long as the curator pleases. And the new law formulates a fine, broad definition in telling what a drunkard is. It says that the term includes everybody "who in consequence of inebriety, cannot provide for his affairs, or endangers the safety of others." This measure was first advocated in Germany 35 years ago, but hitherto its enactment has been prevented by influence not difficult to understand. How the regulation will work remains to be seen. That it may effect good results is obvious and equally evident is the possibility that it may lead to tyranny such as would be utterly unendurable anywhere out of Prussia.

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Kilmer.

Charley Spencer, of Cleveland, spent a few days last week with his brother, Isaac, at this place.

A. D. Hallett, of this place, is engaged as sawyer on the sawmill of Gesel Bros. near Macksburg. He will work all winter.

Mrs. Henry Rhodes and granddaughter, Lizzie, returned from an extended visit with relatives in Ross county. Jack Shaffer, of Harrietsville, resumed his duties as P. M. here Monday.

Several of this place are suffering at present with grip. The school here is progressing finely under the management of J. V. Stone, of Eaglesnest.

Miss Winifred Hallett returned to her school Monday at Oak Shade after a vacation of two weeks.

Hocking Valley To Be Sold. Columbus, O., Jan. 11.—The Columbus, Hocking Valley and Toledo railroad will be sold here February 21, under order of the United States court by special master commissioner. No bid for less than \$2,250,000 will be considered on the railroad property and none for less than \$750,000 on the property of the Hocking Coal and Rail Road company, a subsidiary concern. The sale is furtherance of the reorganization plan.

Literary Note From the Century Co. The Spanish War Series in the Century is proving a great success, and has very considerably increased the circulation of the magazine. In the February number General Shafter will tell the story of the Santiago campaign, and Lieut. Hobson will follow his account of the sinking of the "Merrimack" with a narrative of his imprisonment in Morro Castle.

IMMORTAL J. N.

The Renowned "Lifter of the Veil" is Mortally Sick.

The many friends and acquaintances of J. N. Free, better known as "The Immortal J. N.," will be sorry to hear that he is very sick and perhaps in a precarious condition. He is at the home of his nephew, William Free, in the east part of Urbana, and his condition is said to be alarming. His trouble is such that, for the past two weeks he has been unable to take any food but milk. He ridicules the science of medicine and it is almost impossible to get him to take any remedy. A physician was called to see him a few days ago, and it was only after a great deal of parleying that the sick man submitted to an examination. His trouble arises from throat disease, and is believed to have been brought on by exposure.

The constitution of any ordinary man could hardly have stood up under everything this strange and interesting man has gone through. He has been a wanderer through the states of the middle west for more than 25 years in fact many say he has led a sort of life since about the close of the war. He called himself "The Immortal J. N.," but all the evidences apparently now point to the fact that he is not immortal. A kind of abscess or cancer now seems to be developing in his throat and although he protests that he experiences no pain the physicians fear that the present trouble may incapacitate the old gentleman from making any further use of his railroad passes.

Few persons have ever seen a man like him. He has been a constant traveler, and yet he never had any money but what people gave him. The railroads furnished him transportation and probably every conductor on every road in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio knew him. He was never known to be put off a train even if he had no pass.

Neither did he pay hotel bills. All hotel keepers who knew him expected to entertain him free, and when he struck a new or strange one who presented a bill, J. N. would protest, and say he was not in the habit of paying hotel bills, which would very likely bring the proposition from the hotel men to throw off half. To this the Immortal J. N. would reply: "Well, I never allow anybody to be more generous than myself; I'll just throw off the other half."

He was a constant frequenter of the newspaper offices, and he was known by every newspaper man in three or four states of the west. They made paragraphs about him and advertised his lecture on some mysterious philosophy about "lifting the pressure," as he called it, but the lecture never seemed to materialize. But newspaper notoriety greatly pleased him.

He used to live at Canal Dover, O., and it is understood that he studied law and entered the practice there with very flattering prospects of success. But something threw his mental machinery out of balance, and he has since been the strange genius which so many people have known for many years. He is probably about 65 years old and has been a man of splendid physique. It is said he has a brother who is a prominent lawyer in Ohio.

This is the first time Free has ever been sick and he says that he never did experience any pain whatever. He is confined to his bed and to nurse him is certainly a big task. He maintains a happy frame of mind and is the same "Immortal J. N." that he is when he is able to be around. He now has plenty of time to muse over his past travels and trials and to hear him tell his experiences is both amusing and touching.—Champaign (Ill.) Gazette.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Expectorant Quinine Tablets. At 40 cents a bottle, it relieves the throat, cures the cold, and restores the system. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Pullman Will Become a Part of Chicago. Chicago, Jan. 12.—The dream of Geo. M. Pullman's life has been shattered. The fenced-in model town of Pullman is to become a free community. The anomaly of a city within a city is at an end. The Pullman Palace Car Co. has accepted the decision of the supreme court of Illinois. The decree will divorce the great corporation from everything save the business for which it was incorporated.

Pullman's churches and schools, hotel, magnificent Arcade hall, market house, public library and 2,000 brick residences will be sold to the highest bidder. The Pullman Iron and steel company will be reorganized. The brick works will pass from the control of the company. The streets of Pullman will be given over to the authorities of the city of Chicago and the water works will pass into the control of the city.

Ocean Instead of a River.

The situation before our government in the Philippines is no different from that which has confronted it at every step of the expansion across the continent, from the headwaters of the Ohio to the mouth of the Columbia. We have crossed a wide ocean instead of a wide river, that is all; but Manila is no more remote now than the Illinois towns were a century, or California half a century ago.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Salads.—A Fine Salad Dressing is important and indispensable both to the table and the kitchen. We handle Dr. Cass's, Brand and Ritter's—the latter a very good article, in small bottles, at 15c. WEHRS & SONS, No. 288 Front. — Fine Groceries.

A DIMINUTIVE REVOLVER.

It is Only One Inch and a Half Long Yet It Shoots With Great Accuracy.

Perhaps the smallest revolver ever known has been discovered in Germany. It is 1½ inches long and is made of steel, gold-plated. The handle is made of pearl. The hammer and trigger work exactly as in a regular revolver, and the cylinder holds seven cartridges. Each cartridge is so small that to load the revolver a rammer and pair of pincers are used. These are attached to the handle by a ring. The cartridge is picked up with the pincers, inserted into the chamber and rammed into place. The cartridges are charged with fulminate, and the ball is about the size of a No. 8 shot. When the trigger is pulled and the hammer strikes the cartridge there is an explosion about as loud as when a gun cap is snuffed.

This little revolver shoots accurately, but it is so small that one cannot handle it so that it may be aimed exactly. The ball has force enough to go through a heavy cardboard. The hole where it enters is very small, but it has tearing capacity when it comes out.

The revolver was bought by Mr. C. J. Schmelzer, who tested its shooting powers in his office one day. He placed a card on his desk and fired. There was a little scream from the stenographer on the other side of the room, who was rubbing her neck and insisted that something had stung her. The ball had gone through the cardboard, struck the lock of the desk, glanced off across the room and hit the young woman.

MULE DENTISTRY.

An Expert Dentist Who Operates on Twenty-Four of the Animals Every Day.

A Mexican mule company which owns 200 mules keeps a dentist on its staff simply to look after the mules' teeth.

One of Mr. Mule's amiable weaknesses is the habit of bolting his food, which frequently causes dyspepsia or other diseases. This bolting of his food is not caused by a desire to hasten his meal, but because his molars, or back teeth, having more work to perform than his front teeth, wear away in the course of a few years and become much shorter than the front ones, thus allowing the food to pass into the stomach without being properly masticated. In cases of this kind the incisors, or front teeth, have to be filed down an eighth or a quarter of an inch.

The molars of a mule are 2½ inches in length, while the incisors measure 2½ inches, and judging from his signs of pain, the nerves are as sensitive as those of human beings. An expert dentist operates on 24 mules a day. The extracting instruments are from two to three feet in length, and the entire case of instruments weighs fully 50 pounds. The teeth of every mule are examined and treated, if necessary, once or twice a year.

Charged With Robbery.

SIXNEY, O., Jan. 12.—Joseph Ehlers and Patrick Mulligan, of McCartyville, were arrested Wednesday on a charge of holding up and robbing Thomas Murphy, of McCartyville.

Found Dead on the Street.

ASHTABULA, O., Jan. 12.—El Galpin, an old veteran and lifelong resident of Aftabula, was found dead on the street at 11 o'clock Wednesday night. He leaves no family.

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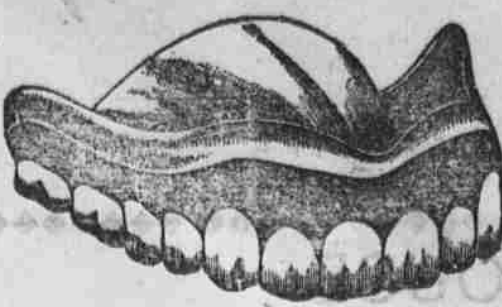
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